



Lifelong Arts Early Action Grants for Libraries

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Library	County	Program Name	Program Description	Program Dates	Award Amount
Anderson Public Library	Madison	“Creative Aging: Art Workshop for Older Adults”	“Happy Hues: Watercolor Fun for Older Adults” will emphasize building confidence by use of watercolor painting and journaling. Participants will be led by local artist and educator, Olivia Willard, and will meet weekly at Anderson Public Library.	October 1 October 8 October 15 October 22 October 29	\$5,000
Batesville Memorial Public Library	Ripley	“Creative Aging: Life Drawing”	“Creative Aging: Life Drawing” will develop life sketching skills, observational skills, and the ability to see the world with an artist’s eye.	To begin mid-September. Final session will conclude in a gallery-style reception that friends, families, and community members are invited to attend, allowing participants to show their growth and talents.	\$5,000
Brown County Public Library	Brown	“The Ukulele O.W.L.’s - Beginning Ukulele for Older, Wiser Learners”	“The Ukelele O.W.L.’s” will introduce participants to the ukulele. The 10-week program (1 hour per session) consists of 8 group lessons for up to 10 participants, 1 performance rehearsal, and a final performance/reception to show off their new musical skills. Musician Kristen Thompson will create a custom curriculum and	August 23 August 30 September 6 September 13 September 20 September 27 October 4 October 11 October 18 October 25	\$5,000

			practice materials designed for older adults featuring large print materials and songs we all know and love. Lessons will teach the basics of the instrument (chords, strumming), as well as collaborative playing ("jamming") as a way of learning to confidently work together.		
Brownsburg Public Library	Hendricks	"Culture & Canvas Course at the BPL"	"Culture & Canvas Course" at the BPL will introduce elements of drawing & painting to senior patrons at The Brownsburg Public Library. Led by artist Kierra Ready, participants will start with an introduction to drawing, using the grid method, the concept of value, shading techniques and adding color. All of this while creating a connection with an item from their culture/heritage over 9 sessions with a culminating exhibit at the end of the course.	June 6 June 13 June 20 June 27 July 11 Aug 8 Aug 15 Aug 22 Aug 29 Sept 5- Culminating Exhibit	\$5,000
Brownstown Public Library	Jackson	"Story Telling Pottery for a Meal"	"Story Telling Pottery for a Meal" is a five-session workshop that brings together the craft of meal-making with the making of pottery tableware. Pottery is constructed as a means to tell stories about the meals and the foods we love and have enjoyed in the past. Participants will learn basic hand building pottery techniques including clay preparation and treatment, basic pottery-ware construction such as bowls and cups, as well as decorating techniques. The fifth and final workshop meeting will be a potluck meal	Session 1: August 3 Session 2: August 10 Session 3: August 17 Session 4: August 24 Session 5: September 14	\$2,400

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			using the pottery made during the workshop.		
Clinton Public Library	Vermillion	“Masterful Artistry: Clinton Seniors Edition”	“Masterful Artistry: Clinton Seniors Edition” will introduce different painting techniques to the senior community. Senior residents of Clinton County as well as residents from two senior living facilities invited to participate. Five painting sessions will be hosted with an artist. A conclusive art show will be hosted on the library's balcony.	September 7 October 10 October 11 October 18 October 25 October 26	\$5,000
Crown Point Community Library	Lake	“Aging Creatively: A Story Montage”	Participants are inspired to create a unique multi-medium work of art to express a personal experience, while they learn about and engage in the creative process through a variety of collage and assemblage techniques that inform their final piece. The program is six sessions, meeting weekly for two-hour time frames allowing space for a group check-in, introduction to technique, activity, a break, and sharing around participant experience and observations. There is an invitation for the participants to display their work and share their experience at a culminating event. The facilitating artist uses her experience to introduce activities that enhance participant understanding of artistic elements, principles, and concepts. Asynchronous invitations help the participants apply what they learned to the development of their work. Creating conversation, personal	Fridays, August 23 - September 27 at the Crown Point Community Library.	\$5,000

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			expression, and engagement between peers around stories is encouraged within the structure of the program.		
Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library	Vanderburgh	“Sheep to Cloth with Peggy Taylor & EVPL”	“Sheep to Cloth” will introduce the fundamentals of weaving to a group of seniors at the Evansville Vanderburgh Public Library. Led by fiber artist Peggy Taylor, participants will explore natural fibers, the ins and outs of wool dyeing, and creating a finished woven piece.	September 22 September 30 October 7 October 14 October 21 October 28	\$3,150
Frankfort Community Public Library	Clinton	“Discover the Art of Handmade Papermaking”	“Discover the Art of Handmade Papermaking” will introduce registered patrons to the timeless craft of papermaking. Led by artist Terry Lacy, participants will delve into the world of papermaking by creating their own paper and learning how to use colored paper pulp to make a work of art within the medium.	TBD. Sessions are estimated to fall between the months of August and September.	\$5,000
Franklin County Public Library District	Franklin	“Art Leather After”	“Art Leather After” will introduce/reintroduce the lost art of leather working to the Franklin senior community. Led by RJ from RJLeatherworks, participants will Design and create different leather works.	June 5 June 12 June 19 June 26 July 3 July 7	\$5,000
Fulton County Public Library	Fulton	“Playing with Clay at the Fulton County Public Library”	“Playing with Clay” will introduce the basic two intermediate techniques and forming methods of hand building and wheel throwing ceramics to older adult patrons at the Fulton County Public Library. Two artists will offer instruction. Kathy Zentz will instruct in hand building, and Lori Cress, who will instruct in throwing on the wheel.	Hand building: August 9 August 10 August 17 August 24 Wheel: September 9 September 16 September 23 September 30 Reception: October 4	\$5,000

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Garrett Public Library	De Kalb	“EngAGE with the Arts!”	This combination of projects will offer engAGING patrons the opportunity to be creative, experience two very different types of art, and work together with new friends in the community to reach a common goal. It will serve as a reminder to be grateful for what we can do, what we can learn, and those who leave imprints on our lives. The Birdhouse Project, led by Tom Stupeck, will introduce basic woodworking skills and procedures. Participants will be encouraged to provide the design for their specific birdhouse and will be given guidance in assembly, painting, and choosing location of the bird's new home. Nina Bennett will lead our Batik Project by teaching the origin of Batik and the process of creating this beautiful art form on fabric using wax and dyes. Individual projects will be proudly on display for the public to view at a special event at the library when both projects are concluded.	Birdhouse Building: Saturdays - August 10 August 17 August 24 August 31 September 7 Batik: Mondays - September 23 September 30 October 7 October 14 October 21	\$5,000
Huntington City-Township Public Library	Huntington	“Madrigal Feast” at the Huntington City-Township Public Library	“Madrigal Feast” will give older patrons the opportunity to learn and perform choral music in the style of a renaissance royal court. Participants will meet for 8 weeks to learn the music, build decorations, create costumes, and more with a final performance to be held during a holiday feast for the community.	September 24 October 1 October 8 October 15 October 22 October 29 November 5 November 12 November 16 (Final Public Performance)	\$5,000
Hussey Mayfield	Boone	“Rhythm of Life - Creative	The “Rhythm of Life-Creative Aging Drumming	August 8 August 12	\$5,000

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Memorial Public Library		Aging Drumming Program”	Program” will introduce the elements of drumming, rhythm, and music to seniors in the Boone County Community at the Hussey Mayfield Memorial Public Library. Participants will be led by Elijah Stephen. The "Rhythm of Life" program is a vibrant and engaging creative aging initiative centered around the power of drumming and drum circles. Over six enriching sessions, older adults will delve into the world of percussion, learning various drumming techniques and rhythms from diverse cultures. Through this shared musical journey, participants will not only develop their artistic skills but also forge meaningful connections with their peers, promoting social engagement and well-being. The program will culminate in a grand drum circle event where participants will showcase their newfound rhythmic talents and celebrate the joy of making music together.	August 18 August 26 September 8 September 15	
Jackson County Public Library	Jackson	“Silver Shoes Dance Class”	“Silver Shoes Dance Class” provides older adults with an opportunity to be active in a fun way. Participants will meet at the Jackson County Public Library and be led by dance artist Jill Mires. Participants will be introduced to various genres of dance to learn the basic skills, regulation techniques through music and movement, and gain the feel of restoration and accomplishment as they learn a final performance.	July 16 July 23 July 30 August 6 August 13 August 30 August 27 September 3 September 10 September 17	\$5,000

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Jefferson County Public Library	Jefferson	“Silver Ceramics at Jefferson County Public Library”	“Silver Ceramics” participants will learn the basics of modelling in clay through a class that meets bi-weekly for five weeks at Madison Public Library. Artist Russ Vossler will teach participants to integrate the visual elements of proportion, anatomy, gesture, and volume to develop and create an artistic form in which plastic materials are worked into three-dimensional objects.	October 1 October 3 October 8 October 10 October 15 October 17 October 22 October 24 October 29 October 31	\$5,000
Kokomo-Howard County Public Library	Howard	“Celebrating Community through Story Portraits”	“Celebrating Community through Story Portraits” is a project led by professional storyteller and visual artist, Jennifer Weinert. Participants are invited to create a unique story portrait of self or historic/family figure they wish to celebrate, using storytelling and collage techniques with encouragement to resource the library's genealogy materials to inform their work.	September 10 September 17 September 24 October 1 October 8 October 15	\$5,000
Linden Carnegie Public Library	Montgomery	“Classic Creators”	“Classic Creators” will introduce two art mediums to senior members in the community. The first half of the program will be five sessions of watercolor techniques led by Kenya Ferrand-Ott. The first session's subject will be pre-selected by Kenya with participants selecting desired subject matter in following sessions. Participants will be able to take home a completed project after each session. In the second half of Classic Creators, Mary Lou Dawald will instruct participants in pottery	Watercolor classes: August 1 August 8 August 15 August 22 August 29 from 5-7pm Pottery classes: September 12 September 19 September 26 October 3 October 10 from 1-3pm	\$3,250

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			techniques. In the five classes, participants will utilize techniques to create three pieces of clay art that will be fired and glazed.		
Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library	St. Joseph	“Colorful Creations at the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library”	<p>“Colorful Creations” will introduce acrylic painting to the seniors of the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library community. Linda Pieri will lead the program and allow the participants to examine shadowing, layering, background washing, reflecting, and 3-dimensional painting techniques.</p> <p>“Colorful Creations” will introduce watercolor painting to the seniors of the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library community. Marjory Burkholder will lead the program and introduce the participants to the following watercolor techniques: masking, splattering, wet on wet, mixing on the paper and dry brush.</p>	<p>Colorful Creations at the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library: 10:30-11:30 a.m.</p> <p>August 6 August 13 August 20 August 27 September 3</p> <p>Colorful Creations at the Mishawaka-Penn-Harris Public Library: 10:30-11:30 a.m.</p> <p>September 23 September 30 October 7 October 14 October 21</p>	\$5,000
Monticello-Union Township Public Library	White	Art Harmony: Connecting with Your Loved One Through Art	“Art Harmony: Connecting with Your Loved One Through Art” provides access to a variety of arts programming that enriches people's lives. Artist Claire Lacy will provide creative outlets and alternative artistic viewpoints in hopes to grow the arts in our community and provide mental engagement to our aging population.	To begin sessions in late Summer and finish in late Fall 2024.	\$5,000
Morgan County Public Library - Main Branch	Morgan	“Filling Our Stories with Color at Morgan County Public Library”	Participants will develop visual imagery from their life experiences, which will become the subject of their paintings. Their paintings, processes, and	<p><u>Tentative Plan</u></p> <p>Group A: Wednesdays from 6-8pm beginning on</p>	\$5,000

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			skills will advance over 10 class sessions and will culminate with an exhibit of their works to the public.	<p>August 7- October 9 10 sessions total (plus the final exhibit)</p> <p>Group B: Thursdays from 1-3pm beginning August 8th- October 10th 10 sessions total (plus the final exhibit)</p> <p>Both groups will have a combined final exhibit on Saturday, October 26th.</p>	
North Manchester Public Library	Wabash	<p>“Storytelling with Pottery”</p> <p>“Miniature Memories Workshop”</p>	<p>“Storytelling with Pottery” is a five-session workshop bringing together the craft of meal-making with the making of pottery tableware. Participants will learn basic hand-building pottery techniques including clay preparation and treatment, basic pottery-ware construction such as bowls and cups, as well as decorating techniques. The fifth and final workshop meeting will be a potluck meal using pottery made during the workshop.</p> <p>“Miniature Memories” is a five-week program that allows participants to unleash their creative potential as they craft their own miniature clay masterpiece while exploring the rich history and stories of their past. Each participant will craft a miniature scene from their life. They will have the opportunity to</p>	<p>Storytelling Pottery Workshop:</p> <p>June 11 @ 1 PM June 18 @ 1 PM June 25 @ 1 PM July 2 @ 1 PM July 23 @ 1 PM (Last Session Potluck Meal)</p> <p>Miniature Memories:</p> <p>September 10 @ 1 PM September 17 @ 1 PM September 24 @ 1 PM October 22 @ 6 PM (Last Session Mini Art Show)</p>	\$5,000

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			enhance their dexterity and fine motor skills, as well as learning the art of storytelling through clay. The final session will be a public mini art show.		
Pike County Public Library	Pike	“Brushes and Beyond: Art Adventures for the Young at Heart”	“Brushes and Beyond: Art Adventures for the Young at Heart” will introduce different mediums to sketch and paint with on Canvas that will meet weekly at the Pike County Public Library. Led by artist Stephanie Gaskins, participants will explore watercolor, acrylics, and sketching techniques to produce canvas works of art.	September - November	\$5,000
Pulaski County Public Library	Pulaski	“Golden Experiences for Creative Aging”	“Golden Experiences for Creative Aging” will offer local seniors an immersive drawing and acrylic painting experience across eight weekly sessions. Participants, led by artist Jennifer Weinert, will develop their observational and creative skills through various techniques while building a portfolio of projects.	August 28th September 4th September 11th September 18th September 25th October 2nd October 9th October 16th	\$5,000
Remington Carpenter Township Public Library	Jasper	“Exploring Fiber Art and Painting at the Remington Carpenter Township Public Library”	Through “Exploring Fiber Art and Painting”, the aging population of Remington, Indiana will have the opportunity to receive classes on fiber art and painting with artists Kristi Yapp and Lynne Buckmaster. These classes will be held at the Remington Carpenter Township Public Library during the months of August - November ending with a gallery and reception to display the projects the students created during these classes.	Fiber art classes by Kristi Yapp Schedule: August 6 August 20, September 3 September 17 October 1 October 15 October 29 November 12 Painting classes by Lynn Buckmaster Schedule:	\$5,000

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				<p>August 27 September 10 September 24 October 8 October 22</p> <p>Art Gallery/ Reception will be held November 26</p>	
Roachdale-Franklin Township Public Library	Putnam	“Telling your Story at the Roachdale Public Library”	The Roachdale Public Library invites community elders to "tell your story!" The “Telling Your Story” series will begin with Professional Storyteller "Mama Portia", Portia Jackson. Patrons will create their own unique story based on family recipes and memories. Patrons will also get a chance to put their creative painting skills to work with local professional artist, "The Bearded Painter", Ricki Johnston, to explore different painting techniques and share personal stories through artwork.	<p>Mrs. Jackson's sessions expected to begin around July 17th.</p> <p>Mr. Johnston's sessions will likely be Monday or Wednesday afternoons, beginning in mid-August.</p> <p>Both of these artists have earlier availability and can begin sooner than the date shown, both have adaptable schedules.</p>	\$5,000
South Whitley Community Public Library	Whitley	“Ageless Expressions: Artistic Journey at South Whitley Community Public Library”	“Ageless Expressions: Artistic Journey at South Whitley Community Public Library” will provide seniors the opportunity to both learn acrylic painting fundamentals or reignite the creative spark they once enjoyed.	<p>First Session Schedule: July 24 July 31 August 7 August 14 August 21</p> <p>Second Session Schedule: August 28 September 4 September 11 September 18 October 2</p>	\$3,530
St. Joseph County Public	St. Joseph	“Golden Threads:	“Golden Threads: Fiber Arts Workshop” will introduce local older	Melvenea: Mondays 9/9-10/7 (4-6pm)	\$5,000

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Library Foundation, Inc.		Fiber Arts Workshop "Back to Basics: An Exploration of Painting"	adults to a variety of fiber arts techniques. Sessions will explore traditions of the art form. Led by Melvenea Hodges, the participants will weave together personal stories and share them with others. "Back to Basics: An Exploration of Painting", led by Amanda Wagner, encourages adults to explore the joys and techniques of painting. From sketch to final product.	Amanda: 10/16-11/16 Weekday Mornings (TBD)	
Thorntown Public Library	Boone	"Connecting with Art at The Sugar Creek Art Center" "Getting into Glass: Fusing for Fun!" "Memories Woven Together" "Mosaic Art: Beauty from the Broken"	"Connecting with Art" will introduce the elements of art to senior adults in the community. Participants will meet twice weekly at the Sugar Creek Art Center. Led by artist Terri Gavin, participants will explore textures and patterns in art. This will be accomplished through creating designs with weaving, slumped glass, and mosaics.	August 27 August 29, September 3 September 5 September 10 September 12 September 17 September 19 September 24 September 26	\$5,000
Tyson Library Association	Ripley	"Macrame with Mia"	"Macrame with Mia" will include 5 classes of Macrame projects that will meet monthly at the Tyson Library. Class leader, Michelle Richardson, will introduce the participants to a new project each class using Macrame.	June 24 July 29 August 26 September 30 October 28	\$5,000
Vernon Township Public Library	Hancock	Art Expressions with VTPL	"Art Expressions with VTPL" will lead participants on a journey of self-exploration through art. Throughout this program, participants will explore their life journey, what it means to care for themselves, and how they view themselves in the world.	Estimated Sessions: Tuesday Evenings from September 10-October 29.	\$5,000

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			Led by artist Olivia Willard, participants will create art including a self-portrait in watercolor to be displayed at the Vernon Township Public Library.		
Vigo County Public Library	Vigo	<p>“Life Threads: Crafting Your Story in Felt”:</p> <p>“Fired Up: Unleash Your Creativity in Ceramics”</p>	<p>“Life Threads: Crafting Your Story in Felt” will introduce Vigo County seniors to the art of felting. Artist Emily Bennett will lead participants in an exploration of their past, present, and future through the creation of felted sculpture.</p> <p>“Fired Up: Unleash Your Creativity in Ceramics” will introduce Vigo County seniors to ceramics. Artist Hayley Bean will lead participants in the creation of a ceramic work that will challenge them and provide an opportunity to explore their creativity.</p>	<p>“Life Threads: Crafting Your Story in Felt:”</p> <p>September 9 September 16 September 23 September 30 October 7 October 14 October 21</p> <p>“Fired Up: Unleash Your Creativity in Ceramics:”</p> <p>October 28 November 4 November 12 November 18 November 25 December 2 December 9</p> <p>NOTE: Each session will have seven classes for two hours each. The classes will happen weekly.</p>	\$5,000
Warsaw Community Public Library	Kosciusko	“Fun with Theatre”	<p>“Fun with Theatre” is a project, led by equity artist Kira Lace Hawkins. Kira will introduce several beginning elements of Theatre Arts including Open Scenes/ Improvisation, Theatre Games, Vocal & Physical warm-ups, Storytelling with Movement and Group Singing. Participants will conclude the project with a public</p>	<p>September 30 October 2 October 4 October 7 October 9 October 11</p>	\$5,000

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			showcase of some of the techniques they learn.		
Westfield Washington Public Library	Hamilton	<p>“Harp Exploration with Melissa Gallant of Tuneful Harps”</p> <p>“Sizzling with the Steelband: An interactive exploration of the Steel Drum”</p>	<p>Melissa Gallant will host an introductory class, demonstrating her harp talents and explaining the upcoming multi session program. Melissa’s program will be presented as a unique opportunity for older adults to learn, explore and discover the harp in 5 (or 6) classes with a final sharing performance where participants can use the harp for expression.</p> <p>Dawn Batson will educate Westfield community members on the Steelband and guide them in an interactive presentation.</p>	<p>August 1 August 8 August 15 August 22 August 29 September 5 September 12 September 19</p> <p>Ms. Batson will begin mid-October and will host class one time per week for approximately 5 weeks.</p>	\$5,000
Westville-New Durham Twp Public Library	La Porte	“Exploring Watercolors for Older Adults”	First time students will take the plunge into the world of watercolor painting in a relaxing and fun atmosphere.	<p>September 18 September 25 October 2 October 9 October 16</p>	\$2,800
Whiting Public Library	Lake	“Express Your Story!”	Participants create a unique work of art in collage. Subject matter will be based on a personal experience over the course of six two-hour sessions as they learn about the creative process through experiences with artistic elements, principles, and applications led by a qualified resident artist part of the Indiana Lifelong Arts cohort. A variety of activities enhance understanding of concepts and offers opportunities for creative conversation and engagement between peers.	<p>July 8 July 15 July 22 July 29 Aug 05 Aug 12</p>	\$5,000

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